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STB Ann Purcell along with GDOT Staff Present 2015 LMIG check to County Chairman Andy Hutto and other Commissioners.

BACON COUNTY AWARDED DOT's LMIG GRANT

Alma, GA – Local roads projects in Bacon County get jump start in 2015, courtesy of the State Transportation Board and Georgia Department of Transportation.

State Transportation Board Representative for the First Congressional District, Ann R. Purcell along with Georgia Department of Transportation Assistant District Engineer/District Maintenance Engineer Robert McCall, District State Aid Coordinator Brent Moseley and Area Engineer Bryan Czech presented a check totaling \$403,702.42 to Bacon County Commission Chairman Andy Hutto and Commission members for Georgia DOT's Fiscal Year 2015 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grants (LMIG) on June 9 at the courthouse in Alma. The \$403,702.42 goes to the Bacon County for upgrades to the county road systems.

"Georgia DOT remains committed to assist local governments like Bacon County achieve needed improvements to their roadway network," stated Purcell. "I know it won't fix everything, but hopefully it can help Chairman Hutto and the Commission at least maintain existing and roads and perhaps assist in their economic development efforts."

"I can't say enough about all that Georgia DOT has done for our county as far as the help we have received from them. This LMIG check will help with resurfacing projects we have scheduled for this year," explained Chairman Andy Hutto. "This money will be put to good use."

As many as 700 counties and cities across the state will be applying to Georgia DOT for FY'15 LMIG grants. The Department is disbursing about \$110 million in LMIG funds based on the populations and miles of local streets and roads in the various jurisdictions. In a major improvement to the program last year, Georgia DOT is giving the entire amount of the grant to the local governments as soon as its application is approved, instead of as projects are completed.

In addition to its primary responsibility to provide for the safety, maintenance and growth of Georgia's federal and state highway system, the Department of Transportation also assists cities and counties in the care and expansion of local roads and streets. Through its Local Maintenance and Improvement Grants (LMIG) program – formerly the State Aid and the Local Assistance Road (LARP) programs – Georgia DOT has given cities and counties nearly \$860 million during the past decade. For more information on Georgia DOT, please visit www.dot.ga.gov or subscribe to our Press Release [RSS feed](#). You also may follow us on [Facebook](#) (www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT) and [Twitter](#) (<http://twitter.com/gadepoftotrans>).

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